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- In the territory held by the Viet Minh immediately surrounding Henoi, villagers are very anti-white and strong action by the Viet Minh is sometimes required to keep them under control and to protect foreigners. The Viet Minh army occasionally intervenes.
- Morale generally is high among all classes of the population and there is no question of surrender to the French.
- 3. The union of the three provinces, Cochin China, Annam and Tonkin is what the Viet Minh demand as a basis for peace negotiations. Unless the French consent to this union, the Viet Minh intend to continue hostilities and will, if necessary, appeal to the UNO for arbitration.
- h. Many rice fields are neglected and others have been destroyed by deliberate flooding. Famine conditions are almost certain in a few months! time.
- 5. Returned prisoners state that after their installation in a camp treatment has been correct. Two hundred people, including eighty children, remain in a camp where conditions are fair, but clothing, medicine and milk are lacking.

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